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**PATENT**  
**Customer No. 22,852**  
**Attorney Docket No. 05725.0633**  
**Application No.: 09/648,376**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
David W. CANNELL et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1617  
Application No.: 09/648,376 ) Examiner: Wang, Shengjun  
Filed: August 25, 2000 ) Confirmation No. 5418  
For: PROTECTION OF KERATINOUS )  
FIBERS USING CERAMIDES )  
AND/OR GLYCOCERAMIDES )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action of February 24, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-12, 16-36, 38-40, 44-50 and 53 are pending in this application. Claims 4 and 27-40 and 44-49 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner. Claims 1-3, 5-12, 16-26, 50, and 53 stand rejected.

No amendment is made at this time.

Applicants respectfully remind the Examiner of his duty to examine the withdrawn claims upon the determination of allowable subject matter.